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4 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
5 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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7 JAMES CLIFFORD BURRIGHT,

8 Plaintiff(s),

9 v.

10 KILOLO KIJAKAZI,

11 Defendant(s).

Case No. 2:21-cv-01288-NJK

**ORDER**

[Docket No. 24]

12 Pending before the Court is the Commissioner's unopposed motion to extend the briefing  
13 deadlines by 30 days. Docket No. 24. The request is premised entirely on staffing difficulties,  
14 namely that counsel has competing obligations that prevent him from complying with the already-  
15 cushioned briefing schedule. Having an attorney take on more work than he can handle within the  
16 normal deadlines is not good cause for an extension. *See, e.g., Olesczuk v. Citizens One Home*  
17 *Loans*, 2016 U.S. Dist. Lexis 153342, at \*6 n.3 (D. Nev. Nov. 4, 2016) (citing *Greene v. Alhambra*  
18 *Hosp. Med. Ctr.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. Lexis 72697, at \*3 (D. Nev. June 3, 2015)). Government  
19 attorneys are not exempted from that basic proposition. *See, e.g., Ramirez v. Saul*, Case No. 2:19-  
20 cv-00978-NJK, Docket No. 21 (D. Nev. Oct. 16, 2019); *Gonzalez v. Berryhill*, Case No. 2:18-cv-  
21 02199-APG-NJK, Docket No. 16 (D. Nev. Apr. 16, 2019); *Betten v. Berryhill*, Case No. 2:18-cv-  
22 00536-KJD-NJK, Docket No. 24 (D. Nev. Dec. 06, 2018). Nonetheless, as a one-time courtesy,  
23 the Court will allow an extension. Accordingly, the motion to extend is **GRANTED** and the  
24 deadline for the responsive brief is **EXTENDED** to April 22, 2022.

25 IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 Dated: March 22, 2022

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Nancy J. Koppe  
United States Magistrate Judge